

Friday, May 1, 1998

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S3963–S4141

Measures Introduced: Six bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2023–2028. Page S4035

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1415, to reform and restructure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, and for other purposes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–180) Page S4035

Measures Passed:

National Correctional Officers and Employees Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 175, to designate the week of May 3, 1998, as “National Correctional Officers and Employees Week”. Page S4133

U.S. Holocaust Assets Commission Act: Senate passed S. 1900, to establish a commission to examine issues pertaining to the disposition of holocaust-era assets in the United States before, during, and after World War II, and to make recommendations to the President on further action, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto as follows: Pages S4133–36

Kyl (for D’Amato) Amendment No. 2335, in the nature of a substitute. Pages S4134–36

Job Training Partnership Act: Committee on Labor and Human Resources was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1385, to consolidate, coordinate, and improve employment, training, literacy, and vocational rehabilitation programs in the United States, and the Senate struck all after the enacting clause and inserted in lieu thereof the text of S. 1186, Senate companion measure, as amended. Pages S3963–S4027

Prior to this action, Senate concluded consideration of S. 1186, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and after taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

Adopted:

Jeffords Amendment No. 2329, in the nature of a substitute. Pages S4010–26

DeWine Amendment No. 2330 (to Amendment No. 2329), to extend the authorizations of appropriations for the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and to simplify the vocational rehabilitation system, increase consumer involvement in the process, and coordinate the State vocational education program with other Federal employment programs. Pages S4013–16

Ashcroft Amendment No. 2331 (to Amendment No. 2329), to prohibit the use of funds to carry out activities authorized under the School-to-Work Opportunities Act of 1994. Pages S4016–17

Ashcroft Amendment No. 2332 (to Amendment No. 2329), to establish a requirement that individuals submit to drug tests, to ensure that applicants and participants make full use of benefits extended through training services. Pages S4017–19

Jeffords (for Lautenberg) Amendment No. 2333 (to Amendment No. 2329), to provide for a right for certain large units of general local government to submit appeals concerning designation as local areas. Pages S4019–20

Jeffords (for Domenici) Amendment No. 2334 (to Amendment No. 2329), to establish demonstration projects to locate secondary schools at community college sites to conduct tech-prep programs. Pages S4020–21

Subsequently, S. 1186 was returned to the Senate calendar. Page S4027

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of H.R. 1385, listed above, on Tuesday, May 5, 1998, with a vote to occur thereon at 5:30 p.m. Pages S4027, S4136

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Natalia Combs Greene, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

Neal E. Kravitz, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

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Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nomination:

Kevin Emanuel Marchman, of Colorado, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, vice Joseph Shuldiner, which was sent to the Senate on March 19, 1997, and on January 29, 1998.

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 1:34 p.m., until 11 a.m., on Monday, May 4, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks

of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4136.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

IRS

Committee on Finance: Committee continued oversight hearings on the operation of the Internal Revenue Service, focusing on ethics and allegations of abuses and improper conduct by high-level agency officials, receiving testimony from Charles O. Rossotti, Commissioner, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session. It will next meet on Monday, May 4.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of May 4 through 9, 1998

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will begin consideration of H.R. 2676, IRS Reform.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 2676, IRS Reform, and conclude consideration of S. 1186, Job Training Partnership Act, with votes to occur thereon.

During the balance of the week, Senate expects to complete consideration of H.R. 2676, IRS Reform, and may consider H.R. 1270, Nuclear Waste Policy Act, S. 1873, Missile Defense Act, and any executive and legislative business cleared for action.

(Senate will recess on Tuesday, May 5, 1998, from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for respective party conferences.)

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: May 7, to hold hearings to examine agricultural trade policies, 9 a.m., SR-332.

Committee on Appropriations: May 5, Subcommittee on Transportation, to hold hearings to examine aviation competition, focusing on airline ticketing practices and antitrust enforcement, 9 a.m., SD-192.

May 5, Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for foreign assistance programs, 10:30 a.m., SD-138.

May 6, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense, focusing on the U.S. Pacific Command, 10 a.m., SD-192.

May 7, Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the National Science Foundation, and the Office of Science and Technology, 9:30 a.m., SD-138.

May 7, Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Executive Office of the President, 9:30 a.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services: May 4, Subcommittee on Personnel, closed business meeting, to mark up those provisions which fall within the subcommittee's jurisdiction of a proposed National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999, 4 p.m., SR-222.

May 5, Subcommittee on Airland Forces, closed business meeting, to mark up those provisions which fall

within the subcommittee's jurisdiction of a proposed National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999, 9:30 a.m., SR-232A.

May 5, Subcommittee on SeaPower, closed business meeting, to mark up those provisions which fall within the subcommittee's jurisdiction of a proposed National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999, 11 a.m., SR-222.

May 5, Subcommittee on Readiness, closed business meeting, to mark up those provisions which fall within the subcommittee's jurisdiction of a proposed National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

May 5, Subcommittee on Acquisition and Technology, closed business meeting, to mark up those provisions which fall within the subcommittee's jurisdiction of a proposed National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999, 3:15 p.m., SR-232A.

May 5, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, closed business meeting, to mark up those provisions which fall within the subcommittee's jurisdiction of a proposed National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999, 6 p.m., SR-232A.

May 6, Full Committee, closed business meeting, to mark up a proposed National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999, 10 a.m., SR-222.

May 7, Full Committee, closed business meeting, to continue to mark up a proposed National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999, 10 a.m., SR-222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: May 7, Subcommittee on Housing Opportunity and Community Development, to hold hearings to examine issues relating to the implementation of the Department of Housing and Urban Development's "HUD 2020" Management Reform Plan, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: May 5, to hold hearings on the nomination of Deborah K. Kilmer, of Idaho, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

May 6, Subcommittee on Communications, to hold oversight hearings on the Common Carrier Bureau of the Federal Communications Commission, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

May 7, Subcommittee on Aviation, to hold hearings on S. 1089, to terminate the effectiveness of certain amendments to the foreign repair station rules of the Federal Aviation Administration, focusing on a recent GAO report regarding aviation repair stations, 2 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: May 5, Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to resume hearings on S. 1253, to provide to the Federal land management agencies the authority and capability to manage effectively the federal lands in accordance with the principles of multiple use and sustained yield, 2 p.m., SD-366.

May 6, Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold hearings on S. 94 and H.R. 449, bills to provide for the orderly disposal of Federal lands in Nevada, and for the acquisition of certain environmentally sensitive lands in Nevada, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

May 7, Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation, to hold hearings on titles VI, VII, VIII, and XI of S. 1693, to renew, reform, reinvigorate, and protect the National Park System, 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: May 6, Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, to hold hearings to examine United States policy toward Iran, 10:30 a.m., SD-419.

May 6, Subcommittee on European Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the crisis in Kosovo, 2 p.m., SD-419.

May 7, Full Committee, to hold hearings on the nominations of William Joseph Burns, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, and Ryan Clark Crocker, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Syrian Arab Republic, 10 a.m., SD-419.

May 7, Subcommittee on International Economic Policy, Export and Trade Promotion, to hold oversight hearings to examine activities of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: May 5, Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings on the proposed D.C. Student Opportunity Scholarship Act, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: May 6, to hold hearings to examine the consequences of raising tobacco prices, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: May 5, to hold hearings on the success of the SAFE KIDS Campaign after its 10 years of implementation, 10 a.m., SD-430.

May 5, Subcommittee on Children and Families, to hold hearings to examine proposals to expand opportunities for community and neighborhood partnerships through the Community Services Block Grant program, 2 p.m., SD-430.

May 7, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine proposals for providing more qualified teachers in the American classroom, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Indian Affairs: May 6, to resume hearings to examine the status of tribal sovereign immunity and the role it plays to preserve the Federal Government's protection of tribal self-government, and its impact on Indian economic development, commercial dealings, and taxation, focusing on S. 1691, to provide for Indian legal reform, 10 a.m., SD-106.

Select Committee on Intelligence: May 5, closed business meeting, to consider intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

May 7, Full Committee, closed business meeting, to mark up a proposed National Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999, 2 p.m., SH-219.

Special Committee on Aging: May 6, to hold hearings on the status of the Health Care Financing Administration's development of its information campaign and recommendations on how to make seniors better aware of this and other health care resources, 2 p.m., SD-562.

House Chamber

Monday, pro forma.

Tuesday, the House will meet at 12:30 p.m. for morning hour and at 2:00 p.m. for consideration of Suspensions (measures to be announced).

NOTE: *No recorded votes are expected before 5:00 p.m.*

Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, the House will meet at 10:00 a.m. for legislative business for consideration of:

H.R. 6—Higher Education Amendments of 1998 (open rule);

H.R. 1872—Communications Satellite Competition and Privatization Act of 1997 (Subject to a rule);

H.R. 10—Financial Services Act (Subject to a rule); and

H.R. 3694—Intelligence Authorization Act (Subject to a rule).

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, May 7, hearing to review the Fiscal Year 1999 Administration's Budget for the Forest Service, USDA, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Commerce, May 6, Subcommittee on Health and Environment, hearing on Regulatory Efforts to Phaseout Chlorofluorocarbon-Based Metered-Dose Inhalers, 10:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

May 6, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Management Problems with the Department of Energy's Hanford Spent Nuclear Fuel Project, 1 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

May 7, Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing on Electronic Commerce: Building Tomorrow's Information Infrastructure, 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

May 8, Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials, hearing on Industry Implementation of Decimal Pricing, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

May 8, Subcommittee on Health and Environment, hearing on Reauthorization of the Mammography Quality Standards Act, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, May 4, Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations, hearing on Impediments to Union Democracy, 1:30 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

May 5, full Committee, hearing on H.R. 3248, Dollars to the Classroom Act, 2 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

May 6, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth, and Families, to mark up pending business, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

May 7, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth, and Families, hearing on H.R. 3189, Parental Freedom of Information Act, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

May 8, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on American Worker Project: Determining the Appropriateness of Rulemaking at the U.S. Department of Labor—Regulatory Strategies Outside the Scope of the Administrative Procedure Act, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, May 4, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information,

and Technology, oversight hearing on Federal Real Property Policy, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

May 5, Subcommittee on the Census, oversight hearing on 2000 Census: Revisiting the 1990 Census, 1 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

May 6, full Committee, to consider pending business, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

May 6, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology, to consider H.R. 716, to require that the Federal Government procure from the private sector the goods and services necessary for the operations and management of certain Government agencies, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

May 7, Subcommittee on Human Resources, hearing on Immune Globulin Shortages: Causes and Cures, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

May 8, Subcommittee on the District of Columbia, hearing on the District of Columbia Metropolitan Police Department Oversight and Federal Law Enforcement Assistance, 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, May 5, Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights, hearing on Rwanda: Genocide and the Continuing Cycle of Violence, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

May 6, Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, hearing on Latin America and the Caribbean: An Update and Summary of the Summit of the Americas, 1:30 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

May 7, full Committee, hearing on issues in U.S.-European Union Trade European Privacy legislation and Biotechnology/Food Safety Policy, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

May 7, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, to mark up the following resolutions: H.Res. 392, relating to the importance of Japanese-American relations and the urgent need for Japan to more effectively address its economic and financial problems and open its markets by eliminating informal barriers to trade and investment, thereby making a more effective contribution to leading the Asian region out of its current financial crisis, insuring against a global recession, and reinforcing regional stability and security; and H.Res. 404, commemorating 100 years of relations between the people of the United States and the people of the Philippines, 1:30 p.m., and to hold a hearing on Tradition and Transformation: U.S. Security Interests in Asia, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

May 7, Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights, hearing on Human Rights in Indonesia, 2 p.m., 2220 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, May 6, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 2431, Freedom From Religious Persecution Act of 1997; H.R. 3494, Child Protection and Sexual Predator Punishment Act of 1998; H.R. 3168, Citizen Protection Act and Sexual Predator Punishment Act of 1998; H.R. 3723, United States Patent and Trademark Office Reauthorization Act, Fiscal Year 1999; and H.R. 1690, to amend title 28 of the United States Code regarding enforcement of child custody orders, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

May 7, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, oversight hearing on Administrative Crimes and Quasi-Crimes, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on National Security, May 5, Subcommittee on Military Procurement, to mark up H.R. 3616, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999, 1 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

May 5, Subcommittee on Military Research and Development, to mark up H.R. 3616, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999, 4 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

May 6, full Committee, to markup H.R. 3616, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, May 6, full committee, to consider pending business, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

May 7, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, hearing on H.R. 3498, Dungeness Crab Conservation and Management Act, 11 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

May 7, Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1865, Spanish Peaks Wilderness Act of 1997; H.R. 3186, Rogue River National Forest Interchange Act of 1998; H.R. 3187, to amend the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 to exempt not-for-profit entities that hold rights-of-way on public lands from certain strict liability requirements imposed in connection with such rights-of-way; and H.R. 3520, to adjust the boundaries of the Lake Chelan National Recreation Area and the adjacent Wenatchee National Forest in the State of Washington, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

May 7, Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 2538, Guadalupe-Hidalgo Treaty Land Claims Act of 1997; H.R. 3055, to deem the activities of the Miccosukee Tribe on the Tamiami Indian Reservation to be consistent with the purposes of the Everglades National Park; and H.R. 3625, San Rafael Swell National Heritage and Conservation Act, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, May 5, to consider H.R. 1872, Communications Satellite Competition and Privatization Act of 1997, 2 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

May 6, to consider H.R. 3694, Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999 and to mark up H.R. 3534, Mandates Information Act of 1998, 11 a.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, May 6, oversight hearing on the International Space Station: Problems and Options, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

May 7, Subcommittee on Technology, hearing on the Aviation Manufacturing and the Fastener Quality Act, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, May 6, to markup the following: H.R. 2730, to designate the Federal building located at 309 North Church Street in

Dyersburg, Tennessee, as the "Jere Cooper Federal Building;" H.R. 2225, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse to be constructed on Las Vegas Boulevard between Bridger Avenue and Clark Avenue in Las Vegas, NV, as the "Lloyd D. George Federal Building and United States Courthouse;" H.R. 3453, to designate the Federal Building and Post Office located at 100 East B Street, Casper, Wyoming, as the "Dick Cheney Federal Building;" H.R. 3295, to designate the Federal building located at 1301 Clay Street in Oakland, California, as the "Ronald V. Dellums Federal Building;" H.R. 3504, amended, John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts Authorization Act; H. Con. Res. 255, amended, authorizing the use of the Capitol grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby; H. Con. Res. 265, authorizing the use of the East Front of the Capitol Grounds for performances sponsored by the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts; H. Con. Res. 262, amended, authorizing the 1998 District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run to be run through the Capitol Grounds; H. Con. Res. 263, amended, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the seventeenth annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service; Corps of Engineers Survey resolutions; and other pending measures, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

May 6, Subcommittee on Railroads, hearing on Surface Transportation Board Reauthorization: Inter-carrier Transactions, Construction and Abandonments, 10:30 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

May 7, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing on the Mitigation and Cost Reduction Act of 1998, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, May 5, Subcommittee on Oversight, to continue oversight hearings on various pension issues, 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

May 6, full Committee, to markup the following bills: H.R. 3433, Ticket to Work and Self-Sufficiency Act of 1998; and H.R. 2431, Freedom From Religious Persecution Act of 1998, 1:30 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

May 7, Subcommittee on Oversight, hearing on the Year 2000 Computer Problem, 10 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

May 7, Subcommittee on Trade, hearing on U.S. Economic and Trade Policy Toward Cuba, 1 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: May 5, to hold hearings on the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and international economic policy, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn Building.

May 8, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the employment-unemployment situation for April, 9:30 a.m., 1334 Longworth Building.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

11 a.m., Monday, May 4

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: After the recognition of two Senators for speeches and the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 12 noon), Senate will consider H.R. 2676, IRS Reform.

Next meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

2 p.m., Monday, May 4

House Chamber

Program for Monday: Pro Forma Session.

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